

CITY MANAGER WEEKLY UPDATE

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Meeting with Chinese Delegation

A group of Chinese government officials has asked to meet with Brentwood City staff, in order to exchange ideas on economic development. The officials represent the Huadu Region, which is a suburban area in Southern China that is near a major employment center (Guangzhou) but that also relates to adjacent agricultural lands. They identified Brentwood as a community with similar dynamics to Huadu, and they requested a meeting to learn how Brentwood is approaching its economic development issues. The meeting will take place on February 13 at the offices of the Contra Costa Council in Concord. Brentwood is one of three cities that the Chinese delegation asked to meet with, the others being San Francisco and Los Angeles.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Grand Opening of Universal Abilities Playground at Veterans Park

Approximately 400 people attended the grand opening of the universal abilities playground at Veterans Park on Friday, February 1. Attendees enjoyed pirate-themed giveaway items and snacks at this event co-hosted by the City of Brentwood and the Special Kids Foundation, and the feedback was positive.





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PUBLIC WORKS

PG&E Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan Update

As part of PG&E's multi-year Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan, PG&E is replacing an old existing gas pipeline with a new 24-inch gas pipeline in Fairview Avenue. PG&E has completed the construction of the pipeline replacement between Grant Street and Sand Creek Road and will begin paving this area next week. The next area of work will be from Grant Street northerly to Fairview Court. Traffic delays and detours should be expected in this area between the weekday hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., and Saturdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Tony Del Greco of PG&E at (510) 846-1397. The latest traffic alert information associated with this work can be found on the City of Brentwood's website by clicking on the following link: Road Conditions.

Brentwood Area School Improvements (American Avenue)

The traffic signal at American Avenue near the entrance of the Heritage High School parking lot was installed and activated as of last Friday, February 1. The project was funded through a Safe Routes to School Grant, with the City of Brentwood and both school districts contributing toward the required matching funds. City staff is monitoring the intersection during school drop-off and pick-up times to ensure the signal is running efficiently.



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